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Societies and individuals interested in Massachusetts history, natural history, scenery, and town and country improvement, are invited to contribute to the working funds of this Board. The treasurer is George Wigglesworth, 53 State Street, Boston. The secretary is John Woodbury, 14 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass.



BLUE HILLS RESERVATION. — Charles Eliot Memorial Bridge.

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OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATION. 1906.

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Mrs. HARRISON O. APTHORP, Milton.

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OFFICERS, 1891-1906.

President.

GEORGE F. HOAR, 1891-1904.
 CHARLES W. ELIOT, 1905-1906.

Vice-President.

WILLIAM S. SHURTLEFF, 1891-1895.
 GEORGE SHELDON, 1896-1906.

Chairman of the Standing Committee.

PHILIP A. CHASE, 1891-1893.
 CHARLES ELIOT, 1894-1897.
 PHILIP A. CHASE, 1897-1903.
 HENRY P. WALCOTT, 1903-1906.

Treasurer.

GEORGE WIGGLESWORTH, 1891-1906.

Secretary.

CHARLES ELIOT, 1891-1893.
 HENRY R. SHAW, 1894.
 JOHN WOODBURY, 1894-1906.

LANDS HELD BY THE TRUSTEES, DEC. 31, 1906.

	ACRES.
Virginia Wood,	20
Goodwill Park,	70
Rocky Narrows,	21
Mount Anne Park,	50
Governor Hutchinson's Field,	10
Monument Mountain Reservation,	260
The Pine Knoll,	6
Petticoat Hill,	50

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

[CHAPTER 352, ACTS OF 1891.]

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC RESERVATIONS.

SECTION 1. Frederick L. Ames, Philip A. Chase, Christopher Clark, Charles R. Codman, Elisha S. Converse, George F. Hoar, John J. Russell, Leverett Saltonstall, Charles S. Sargent, Nathaniel S. Shaler, George Sheldon, William S. Shurtleff, George H. Tucker, Francis A. Walker, George Wigglesworth, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of The Trustees of Public Reservations, for the purpose of acquiring, holding, arranging, maintaining, and opening to the public, under suitable regulations, beautiful and historical places and tracts of land within this Commonwealth, with the powers and privileges and subject to the duties set forth in chapter one hundred and fifteen of the Public Statutes and in such other general laws as now are or hereafter may be in force relating to such corporations; but said corporation shall have no capital stock.

SECTION 2. Said corporation may acquire and hold by grant, gift, devise, purchase, or otherwise, real estate, such as it may deem worthy of preservation for the enjoyment of the public, but not exceeding one million dollars in value, and such other property, both real and personal, as may be necessary or proper to support or promote the objects of the corporation, but not exceeding in the aggregate the further sum of one million dollars.

SECTION 3. All personal property held by said corporation, and all lands which it may cause to be opened and kept open to the public, and all lands which it may acquire and hold with this object in view, shall be exempt from taxation in the same manner and to the same extent as the property of literary, benevolent, charitable, and scientific institutions incorporated within this Commonwealth is now exempt by law; but no lands so acquired and held and not open to the public shall be so exempt from taxation for a longer period than two years. Said corporation shall never make any division or dividend of or from its property or income among its members.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

BY-LAWS OF THE TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC RESERVATIONS.

ARTICLE I.

OF MEMBERS.

The members of the corporation shall be residents of Massachusetts, and their number shall not exceed fifty.

The Standing Committee may, if it sees fit, nominate persons to membership by inserting the names of candidates upon the notice of warning of any meeting. The election shall take place at any meeting subsequent to such notice, and shall be by ballot upon the names proposed by the Standing Committee; and any person who receives the votes of two-thirds of the members present and voting shall, on his acceptance in writing of his election, be declared and enrolled a member of the corporation. Membership may be terminated by resignation, and shall be terminated by failure for three successive years to attend the annual meeting; but in the latter case the Standing Committee may by vote suspend the operation of this rule when it sees best.

ARTICLE II.

OF FOUNDERS, LIFE ASSOCIATES AND CONTRIBUTORS.

All persons from whom the corporation shall receive real or personal property to the value of one thousand dollars or more shall be permanently enrolled as Founders.

All persons not entitled to be enrolled as Founders, from whom the corporation shall receive real or personal property to the value of one hundred dollars or more, shall be enrolled during life as Life Associates.

All persons, societies or corporations not entitled to be enrolled as Founders or Life Associates, from whom the corporation shall receive one or more dollars, shall be enrolled as contributors for the year in which payment of such sum is made.

ARTICLE III.

OF MEETINGS.

1. The annual meeting of the corporation shall be held on the last Wednesday in January, in Boston or at such other city or town in the Commonwealth, and at such time and place, as the Standing Committee may determine. A quorum for the transaction of business shall consist of not less than seven members, but a majority of the members present and voting may adjourn any meeting from time to time until the business shall have been finished.

In the event of the annual meeting, by mistake or otherwise, not being called and held as herein prescribed, the Standing Committee shall order a special meeting to be called and held in lieu of and for the purposes of the annual meeting.

Special meetings of the corporation may be called by the Standing Committee to meet at any time and place. A quorum at a special meeting shall consist of not less than seven members.

2. At all meetings the President shall take the chair as soon as a quorum is present; and the record of the preceding meeting shall then be read, unless such reading is dispensed with by the unanimous consent of those present. After which at all special meetings the business for which the meeting was called shall be transacted, and at the annual meeting the order of business shall be as follows:—

First.—The unfinished business and the assignments of the last meeting shall be announced by the Secretary to the President, and taken up in order.

Second.—The Secretary shall be called on to submit a written report of the doings of the Standing Committee for the year ending with the previous 31st of December.

Third.—The Treasurer shall be called upon to submit a written report of his doings for the year ending with the previous 31st of December, and the financial condition of the corporation at that date.

Fourth.—The Committee to audit the Treasurer's accounts shall be called on for a report.

Fifth.—Any special committee which may have been appointed during the year shall be called on to report.

Sixth.—If the Standing Committee shall have proposed changes in the By-laws, the same shall be voted upon, as provided in Article VII.

Seventh. — If the Standing Committee shall have made any nominations to membership in the corporation, an election shall be held as provided in Article I.

Eighth. — An election of officers for the ensuing year shall be held, as provided in Article IV., Section 1.

Ninth. — On the announcement of the vote the newly elected President shall take the chair, and shall give the members present an opportunity to present new business.

Tenth. — The newly elected President shall appoint a committee to audit the Treasurer's accounts.

ARTICLE IV.

OF OFFICERS.

1. The officers of the corporation shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer. The Secretary and Treasurer shall be *ex-officiis* members of the Standing Committee, which shall consist of seven persons in all. The officers and the Standing Committee shall be chosen by ballot at the annual meeting of the corporation, an adjournment thereof, or at a meeting in lieu of such annual meeting, as above provided; and they shall hold their offices for one year, or until others are duly chosen and qualified in their stead. Any vacancy occurring in any of the above offices from death, resignation or inability, shall be filled by the Standing Committee at their next regular meeting or at a special meeting to be called for the purpose before such regular meeting.

2. The President shall preside at all meetings of the corporation. If he is absent, the Vice-President, and, if the Vice-President is also absent, a President *pro tempore*, chosen by hand vote of the members of the corporation present, shall preside, and shall have all the powers and perform all the duties of the President.

3. The Secretary shall warn the members of all meetings of the corporation, according as he may be directed by votes of the Standing Committee. He shall call the meetings of the Standing Committee as he may be directed by the chairman of the committee or on the request in writing of any two members thereof. He shall carry on all the correspondence of the corporation not otherwise provided for, and shall, when the correspondence is of importance, preserve copies of the letters sent and the original letters received, for transmission with his records to his successor in office. He shall keep an exact record of

all meetings of the corporation and of the Standing Committee, with the names of the members present, entering in full all reports of committees, which may be accepted, by either body, unless otherwise directed.

At the January meeting of the Standing Committee he shall make a written report of the doings of that body for the year ending on the previous 31st of December; and, if the report is approved, he shall present it at the annual meeting of the corporation.

4. The Treasurer shall, when directed, as provided in the next paragraph, make disbursements; and he shall also collect all moneys due to the corporation, and shall keep regular and faithful account of all the moneys and funds of the corporation which shall come into his hands and of all receipts and expenditures connected with the same, which accounts shall always be open to the inspection of members of the corporation. He shall make no investments and pay no moneys without either the approval of a majority of the Standing Committee or else of such officer or committee as said Standing Committee shall appoint to act for it in these matters.

At the January meeting of the Standing Committee he shall make a written report of his doings for the year ending on the previous 31st of December; and, if his report is approved, he shall present it at the annual meeting of the corporation.

ARTICLE V.

OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee shall, at its first meeting after the annual meeting of the corporation in each year, elect a chairman, whose duty it shall be to preside at all meetings of the committee. In his absence a chairman *pro tempore* may be chosen by hand vote.

The Standing Committee shall meet at least once in every month, and a quorum shall consist of not less than three members.

The Standing Committee may nominate or refuse to nominate new members of the corporation, may accept or decline gifts offered to the corporation, may approve or disapprove investments or expenditures proposed by the Treasurer, may approve or disapprove all bills against the corporation, may appoint sub-committees of their number, may appoint and remove agents, may engage whatever assistance is needed to administer the

affairs of the corporation, may designate such agents and employees by such titles as they may deem proper, and, in general, may exercise all the executive powers of the corporation.

ARTICLE VI.

OF THE SEAL.

The corporate seal shall be a circular, flat-faced die of about an inch and a half in diameter, with the name of the corporation, the year of its organization, the word "Massachusetts" and the figure of a pine tree so engraved on its face that it can be embossed on paper by pressure.

ARTICLE VII.

OF AMENDMENTS.

At any annual meeting of the corporation, or at a special meeting called for the purpose, these By-laws may be amended, altered or repealed by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting, provided that notice of such proposed change shall have been given in the call of the meeting.

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC RESERVATIONS.

The Standing Committee of the Trustees of Public Reservations submits herewith its sixteenth annual report.

There have been no additions this year to the holdings of the Trustees, and the report is therefore substantially confined to an account of the conditions of the lands which are already in your charge.

Virginia Wood in Stoneham has been cared for by the Metropolitan Park Commission as a part of the Middlesex Fells. The gypsy moth work done last winter was very effective, and all damage from the insect during the feeding period was prevented. As a result of reduction in the number of moths, the number of egg masses was so greatly diminished that the creosoting has been done this winter at about one-fourth of the cost of last season's work. The brown-tail moth has practically disappeared from the immediate vicinity of the Virginia Wood, and possible danger from this source is removed for the present. A number of dead and diseased trees have been removed, and the Wood generally is in good condition.

Goodwill Park in Falmouth has been visited by considerable numbers during the summer months. The roads near the picnic ground were graded and repaired last summer, and a long stretch of division fence rebuilt. The two picnic grounds were carefully mowed and dead trees and branches removed. Further improvement in the roads will be made this year. Your committee is informed that members of Mr. Fay's family have in mind the gift of additional land adjoining the park, which will improve the boundaries and increase its attractiveness.

Rocky Narrows on the Charles River at Sherborn has been visited by many canoeists, and has been kept in good condition. It is pleasant to record that the appreciation of visitors is shown by the fact that the few simple rules which are posted there are well observed.

Mount Anne Park at Gloucester is maintained by the terms of the deed of gift as a wild park. It is desirable, however, that the means of approach should be bettered, and this will naturally be brought about if plans for additional woods roads between Magnolia and the Essex Road which are being discussed by citizens of Manchester and Gloucester are carried out.

At Governor Hutchinson Field in Milton the grass was burned over in the spring, the trees along the street were sprayed as a protection against defoliating insects, and a general inspection made for the eggs of the gypsy moth. This insect pest tends to increase in this vicinity, and, although no serious damage has yet been done, it is necessary to keep a vigilant lookout to prevent an injurious infestation. For this and other reasons, notably danger from ground fires, it is necessary to keep the Field cleared from leaves and litter. The grass was sold standing, and a number of weedy and diseased trees removed. It will be necessary before long to do something to enrich the soil and promote a better growth.

Monument Mountain in Great Barrington is more and more visited each year. The road to the summit has remained in good condition the past year, in spite of heavy rains. Some judicious forestry work will be necessary this winter for the benefit of the better trees, and is especially needed along the edges of the road. There have been no fires in this Reservation.

The Pine Knoll in Sheffield is much used in summer by the people in the neighborhood. It has been kept clear of rubbish, and the fences and gates have been repaired. It is suggested that additional seats of permanent character be placed in the grove for the comfort of visitors.

Petticoat Hill in Williamsburg has been well visited, considering it is the first year that it has been open to the public. The bronze memorial tablet stating the facts of the gift has

been set in a boulder near the entrance. There was so little snow last winter that it was not possible to remove all the wood piles left from the forestry work which was being done according to the State Forester's plan at the time the gift was made. The remainder will be removed this winter. There is need of some paths, and a road to the summit of the hill where the best views can be obtained would be very attractive. Mrs. Nash, who established this park, is having a study made to ascertain whether such a road is practicable and can be built for a moderate expenditure.

At the last annual meeting a member of the Board of Trustees requested the appointment of a committee to visit him and examine certain tracts of woodland belonging to him, with respect to their availability as a public reservation. The committee appointed for this purpose were entertained by him in June, and passed a large part of two days in an inspection of these lands. They comprise some 2,000 acres of woodland of a most varied and interesting character, and nearly encompass the village of the town in which they are situated. They are not alone of interest in themselves as woods, but are an essential part of the scenery and picturesque charm of one of the most beautiful of the New England hill towns. It is to be hoped and it seems probable that the generous and far-seeing intention of the owner will be in some way realized, and it will be a public service performed if this Board shall have been able to assist in bringing about such a result.

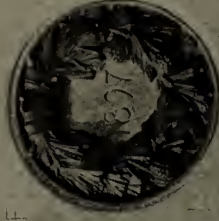
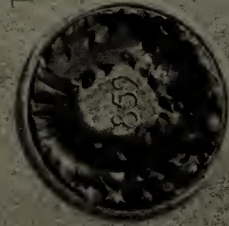
On October 13 last a memorial to Charles Eliot was dedicated in the Blue Hills Reservation near the summit of Great Blue Hill in Milton. The creation of this Board was his idea, and was largely due to his individual efforts. He was our first Secretary and afterwards Chairman of the Standing Committee, which office he held at the time of his death. It was natural that many of our members became interested in the movement to erect this memorial, and took an active part in carrying out the plan. The memorial is in the form of a bridge, which carries across a little ravine near the top of Great Blue Hill a path which encircles the summit of the hill and affords the most extensive views of any point in

THIS BRIDGE WAS ERECTED IN 1904 IN MEMORY OF

CHARLES ELIOT

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT
TO THE METROPOLITAN PARK COMMISSION

BY AMPLE KNOWLEDGE INTELLIGENT PERSEVERANCE AND
ELOQUENT TEACHING HE CREATED AND INSPIRED ORGANIZATIONS
CAPABLE OF ACCOMPLISHING HIS GREAT PURPOSE = THE
PRESERVATION OF OUR HISTORICAL AND BEAUTIFUL PLACE



eastern Massachusetts. The tablet, which forms the back of a stone seat on the easterly end of the bridge, states the purpose of the memorial and briefly sums up the great gift which Eliot made to his fellowmen. An account of the simple exercises of dedication and photographs of the memorial itself will be printed with this report.

This Board has this year lost a distinguished member by the death of Nathaniel Southgate Shaler. Professor Shaler was a charter member of the Trustees of Public Reservations, and was always interested in the work of this Board. He attended many of its meetings, and those who were present will always retain a lively memory of his enthusiasm and his frank and genial personality. His wide knowledge of the topography of Massachusetts and his general interest in the purposes of the Trustees made him a valuable member of this organization.

HENRY P. WALCOTT, *Chairman*,
CHARLES S. SARGENT,
NATHANIEL T. KIDDER,
CHARLES S. RACKEMANN,
EDWARD W. FORBES,
GEORGE WIGGLESWORTH, *Treasurer*,
JOHN WOODBURY, *Secretary*,
Standing Committee.

GEORGE WIGGLESWORTH, Treasurer, in account with TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC RESERVATIONS.

DR.		General Account.		CR.	
1906.			1906.		
Dec. 31,	To interest received from deposits during 1906,	\$17 38	Jan. 1,	By balance,	\$386 09
Dec. 31,	To balance,	478 76	Sept. 24,	Paid for recording deed from Martha W. Nash,	75
			Oct. 4,	Paid Wright & Potter Co. for printing fifteenth annual report,	106 30
			Dec. 21,	Paid Wright & Potter Co., 500 clasp envelopes,	3 00
		\$496 14			\$496 14
			1907.		
			Jan. 1,	By balance,	\$478 76

DR.		Virginia Wood Account.		CR.	
1906.			1906.		
Jan. 1,	To balance,	\$123 08	Dec. 31,	By balance,	\$140 58
July 2,	To coupon Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ s,	17 50			
		\$140 58			\$140 58
1907.					
Jan. 1,	To balance,	\$140 58			

Governor Hutchinson Field.

DR.

CR.

1906. Jan. 1, July 5,	To balance,		1906. May 18, Dec. 31,	Paid for burning grass, By balance,	\$4 50 519 93 \$524 43
	To proceeds sale of grass,	\$506 43 18 00			
		<u>\$524 43</u>			
1907. Jan. 1,	To balance,	\$519 93			

Good Will Park.

DR.

CR.

1906. Dec. 22,	To cash,		1906. Dec. 31,	By balance,	\$59 18 \$59 18
		\$59 18			
		<u>\$59 18</u>			
1907. Jan. 1,	To balance,	\$59 18			

<i>Monument Mountain Reservation.</i>				CR.
DR.				
1906.				
Feb. 20,	To gift from Helen C. Butler,	\$5,000 00	By balance,	\$170 06
Feb. 28,	To March coupons Kansas City, Memphis & Birmingham 4s,	40 00	By purchase \$5,000 United Electric Securities 5s (22d series), @ 102 $\frac{3}{4}$, and interest,	5,159 02
Aug. 14,	To September coupons Kansas City, Memphis & Birmingham 4s,	40 00	Paid W. M. Healey for care, etc.,	60 00
Sept. 20,	To August coupons United Electric Securities 5s,	125 00		
Dec. 31,	To balance,	184 08		
		<u>\$5,389 08</u>		<u>\$5,389 08</u>
			1907.	
			Jan. 1,	
			By balance,	\$184 08
<i>Mount Anne Park.</i>				CR.
DR.				
1906.				
Jan. 1,	To balance,	\$208 30	By balance,	\$228 30
July 2,	To July coupon American Telephone & Telegraph 4s,	20 00		
		<u>\$228 30</u>		<u>\$228 30</u>
1907.				
Jan. 1,	To balance,	\$228 30		

DR.	<i>Rocky Narrows Reservation.</i>				CR.
			1906. Dec. 31,		
1906. Jan. 1,	To balance,	\$49 03		By balance,	\$49 03
		\$49 03			\$49 03
1907. Jan. 1,	To balance,	\$49 03			

DR.	<i>Glover Fund for General Purposes.</i>				CR.
			1906. Dec. 31,		
1906. Jan. 1, July 2,	To balance, To July coupons Baltimore & Ohio Rail- road 3½s (South west Division), . . .	\$525 88 35 00		By balance,	\$560 88
		\$560 88			\$560 88
1907. Jan. 1,	To balance,	\$560 88			

PUBLIC RESERVATIONS.

Dr.		<i>Pelticoat Hill.</i>		Cr.
1906. July 2,	To coupon New England Telephone & Telegraph 4s,		1906. Dec. 31,	By balance, \$20 00
		\$20 00		
		\$20 00		
1907. Jan. 1,	To balance,	\$20 00		
Dr.		<i>Pine Knoll.</i>		Cr.
1906. July 2, Dec. 31,	To July coupon Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad 3½s, To balance,		1906. Jan. 1, Dec. 29,	By balance, Paid W. D. French for care, etc.,
		\$17 50 79 64		
		\$97 14		
			1907. Jan. 1,	By balance,
				\$79 64

PUBLIC RESERVATIONS.

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Dr.	Trial Balance.		Cr.
Cash,	\$835 42	Virginia Wood,	\$140 58
Profit and loss (see general account),	478 76	Governor Hutchinson Field,	519 93
Monument Mountain Reservation,	184 08	Good Will Park,	59 18
Pine Knoll,	79 64	Mount Anne Park,	228 30
		Rocky Narrows Reservation,	49 03
		Glover Fund for general purposes,	560 88
		Petticoat Hill,	20 00
	\$1,577 90		\$1,577 90

Securities held by Treasurer.

Virginia Wood : \$2,000 Chicago Terminal Transfer Railway 4s ; \$1,000 Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad 3½s.
 Monument Mountain Reservation : \$2,000 Kansas City, Memphis & Birmingham 4s ; \$5,000 United Electric Securities 5s (22d Series).
 Mount Anne Park : \$1,000 American Telephone & Telegraph 4s.
 Glover Fund for general purposes : \$2,000 Baltimore & Ohio Railroad 3½s (South-west Division).
 Pine Knoll : \$1,000 Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad 3½s.
 Petticoat Hill : \$1,000 New England Telephone & Telegraph 4s.

The undersigned have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Treasurer of the Trustees of Public Reservations for the year ending Dec. 31, 1906, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched. The securities called for by the above account were exhibited.

NATHANIEL KIDDER,
 D. P. COREY,
Auditing Committee.

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APPENDIX.

EXERCISES AT THE DEDICATION OF THE CHARLES ELIOT
MEMORIAL BRIDGE ON GREAT BLUE HILL ON OCT. 13,
1906.

On the afternoon of Oct. 13, 1906, the Charles Eliot Memorial on Great Blue Hill was dedicated by simple exercises held near the summit of the hill on a little plateau a few steps away from the Memorial Bridge. There were present, in addition to the Committee of the Charles Eliot Memorial Association and the Metropolitan Park Commission, members of Eliot's family, classmates, associates, friends, and a considerable number of people brought there by the interest of the occasion. The exercises were begun by Charles S. Rackemann, Esq., Chairman of the Memorial Committee, who spoke as follows:—

ADDRESS OF CHARLES S. RACKEMANN, ESQ.

We have come together at this place, this vantage point of eastern Massachusetts, in all the glory of a beautiful autumn day, animated by the single idea of establishing a permanent expression of the respect and honor which we feel for the character and achievements of one who has gone out from among us never to return,— Charles Eliot, landscape architect.

In a large sense Eliot was the founder of the Metropolitan Park System of Massachusetts, as he certainly was of the Trustees of Public Reservations,—the one now an integral part of the domain of our beloved Commonwealth, the other a quasi-public corporation, having similar purposes and similar duties.

Eliot was a man of genius, with breadth of view and far-seeing wisdom. He was a humanist. And it is highly creditable to this community, in which most of his life work was done, that it recognized so quickly and so fully the incalculable benefit to the present and all future generations that was to result from the accomplishment of his conceptions and plans.

“Ideas,” says Emerson, “beget enthusiasm;” and so it was that

within a few weeks from the time of Eliot's death a movement was set on foot by some of his friends for making a permanent public record of the respect, admiration and esteem which were felt for him and his work by his fellow citizens.

A committee was quickly formed, which took charge of this labor of love. It consisted of one of the original members of the standing committee of the Trustees of Public Reservations, two members of the Appalachian Mountain Club, one classmate in Harvard College and one neighbor in Milton.

The announcement of its plan was enough to bring to it a generous total of many contributions, ranging from the modest one dollar sent by some anonymous friend to the check for a hundredfold that amount received from some richer but not more willing subscriber.

After much careful study, and with the co-operation of the Metropolitan Park Commission, at all times cordially given, this site was selected for the memorial, as the most appropriate in the whole district; an advisory architect, Mr. A. W. Longfellow, was engaged, and later a sculptor, to design the recording tablet.

The whole memorial which we dedicate to-day consists of two parts: it includes the path (hereafter to be known as the "Charles Eliot Path") encircling the brow of Blue Hill, and the stone bridge over this little ravine.

The bridge was designed by the present landscape architects to the Commission, who were his former associates in business, Olmsted Brothers, and the tablet by Mr. C. R. Harley.

The path provided by the Metropolitan Park Commission is the tribute of the Commonwealth; the bridge with the inscription is that of the public.

The work of the committee is done. If it shall be found worthy of your approval, and the approval of all friends and admirers of Charles Eliot, nothing more is to be desired.

To Hon. Mr. de las Casas, Chairman of the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, in whose custody this reservation has been placed by the Commonwealth for the use and enjoyment of its inhabitants forever, I deliver the deed of gift.

The gift was accepted by Hon. William B. de las Casas, Chairman of the Metropolitan Park Commission, in the following words:—

ADDRESS OF HON. WILLIAM B. DE LAS CASAS.

In behalf of the Metropolitan Park Commission, as representing the Commonwealth and its Metropolitan Parks District, I accept the gift of the Charles Eliot Memorial upon the Great Blue Hill, and thereby dedicate it to public use. In the same representative

capacity I return to you and your committee, and to the subscribers and all who by gifts of money, time and talents have contributed to this memorial, the thanks of the Commission, the Commonwealth and all citizens, both for the addition which has been made to the attractiveness and resources of the Blue Hills Reservation, and even more for the evidence which it perpetuates of the larger gift made by Charles Eliot of his talents, work and life.

Charles Eliot was a patient, practical, working idealist; a noble son of a noble father; a worthy citizen of this Commonwealth. He was gentle, sweet-natured, sensitive and affectionate, yet well trained, discreet, patient, industrious and persistent beyond most men. He brought these fine qualities into his intense professional life and into his citizenship. While he did not wholly originate or develop the idea of a Metropolitan District and system of parks, nor live to work out all its details, yet he saw its form more clearly than others, and shaped its accomplishment with such intelligence and sweet reasonableness that all men became persuaded to make it possible, and to work out its details with something of his devotion and intelligence.

The result is before us in the Metropolitan Park System, now well advanced toward completion, and more immediately before us in this great Blue Hills Reservation of 4,700 acres, — stretching eastward from this seat upon its highest hilltop almost as far as eye can see. It is fitting that this simple, rugged memorial should be placed in this spot. Charles Eliot loved the woods and rocky hills; he knew their bounds and inmost recesses, and the refreshment which they held for the tired souls of those who must live for the most part in the noisy ugliness of towns. The intensity of his nature went quietly and persistently into an effort to make sure that these reservations and their tree growth would be cared for, and become useful and available to the highest degree. It was in this Blue Hills Reservation that in March, 1897, while persistently accumulating data to make evident the necessity for adequate forestry and development plans, he took the cold that developed into intense illness, and terminated his life.

We may hope that as men come here from time to time and look over the fair prospect they will gain in hope and faith, and, going away, become each in his own work a patient, practical idealist like Charles Eliot.

At the conclusion of the Chairman's address Mr. Rackemann read the following letter from His Excellency, Governor Guild: —

LETTER OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

I am extremely sorry that the unavoidable stress of duties at this time makes it impossible for me to attend the dedication of the Eliot Memorial at the top of Great Blue Hill. He was my friend, as he was yours, and all who knew him loved him. I cannot conceive a more fitting location for his monument than on the great hill from which the Commonwealth takes its name. He taught the love of open air and of those gentle arts which are the hand-maidens of nature herself. We are all the better for his friendship, and life is healthier and more wholesome because he lived. The memorial well reminds the people of his life, but his monuments are the great breathing spaces about ocean, stream and woodland, which the Commonwealth preserves forever for the use of its people.

The exercises were concluded with the following address of Henry W. Cunningham, Esq., secretary of the class of 1882 of Harvard College, of which Charles Eliot was a member:—

ADDRESS OF HENRY W. CUNNINGHAM, ESQ.

I am glad to say a few words of tribute on behalf of the class of '82 to the memory of Charles Eliot, for he was one of that band of brothers who graduated from Harvard just twenty-five years ago. And you all of you know how close are the ties that bind together the members of a class by that sympathetic cord that grows tighter as the years go on, and as the ranks grow thinner. As the two gentlemen who have preceded me have spoken as representing the public, I may be permitted to touch upon the personal side,—the side of friendship and of comradeship. Our class, although it contained many admirable men from eastern Massachusetts, was not what is known as a "Boston class," for most of our leading men during college days came from other parts of the country. They came together as freshmen in many small groups, some of the men knowing few beyond those with whom they had been at school.

But there were a few Massachusetts men whom we all knew by reputation, at least, before we met them, and of these I shall call to your mind to-day but two,—Sherman Hoar and Charles Eliot,—both gone in their early prime. Yet both lived long enough to leave their impress upon this community. There could not have been two men more unlike in character than these two, for Hoar was essentially a public man, while Eliot was so quiet and so retiring that few but his associates realized till towards the end of his life the full extent of his abilities; yet each of these men had one strong trait in common,—they lived to benefit their fellowmen.

And so we all knew who Charles Eliot was before we met him, and those who came to know him well appreciated the rare charm of his character; but his nature was so retiring that he did not make friends easily. He never took a prominent part in any of the social organizations of the class, nor entered into any of the athletic sports, because of his lack of robust health; and, though he never was what was known as a popular man, yet those who knew him always liked him, and I think they liked him not because of the negative virtues of many popular men, but because they recognized, boys though they were, that there lay behind that quiet manner a purpose to do something useful in the world.

I doubt if he had much idea when he was in college just what his life work would be; but instinctively, in taking the elective courses that appealed to him, he took many that were of benefit to him in his profession.

And after we graduated we all knew that he was studying with Mr. Olmsted, and that he was pursuing the profession of landscape architect; but he worked so quietly, so unostentatiously, that none but his intimate friends, and the class secretary, who is supposed to know all things, knew the full extent of his accomplishments.

But suddenly we realized, when these great public reservations began to appear in all their natural beauties, that our classmate had not only done much of the planning, but by his enthusiasm he had led on the interest in them. And so, Mr. Chairman, we are proud to think that he was a member of our class. And we are glad that his name and fame are perpetuated in this enduring monument, though while these grand rocks and noble trees exist he needs no other monument in the hearts of his friends.

And I am glad to say these few words of tribute, and in behalf of my class to lay this wreath of affection upon his monument. And as I stand here upon this hilltop, looking over this broad vista of forest and on to the blue waters of the harbor beyond, I think I may truly say, as did Tennyson, standing on the cliffs below the city of Bristol and lamenting the early death of his friend Hal-lam: —

And the stately ships go on
To their haven under the hill;
But, oh, for the touch of a vanished hand
And the sound of a voice that is still!

